

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis LLP 599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022-6030

т 212.536.3900 www.klgates.com

July 2, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Jan Bastiaan BOUWSTRA et al.

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/540,167 Filed: January 25, 2006 Attorney Docket No. 0807620.00107 Confirmation No. 1083

"PROCESS FOR COATING CELL-CULTURE SUPPORT"

Sir:

The following document is filed herewith:

[X] Wootton J.C., Comput. Chem. (1994) 18(3):269-85

The Wootton reference is filed in support of applicant's Amendment mailed July 1, 2008. At page 8 of that amendment, Wootton was referenced as being indicative of the knowledge of a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Although it is not material to the above application, the undersigned notes, for the Office's information, that the undersigned was unable to file said Amendment electronically owing to difficulties with the Office's electronic filing system which were apparently caused by congestion.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 080570**. The applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,

By: <u>/Roger Pitt/</u>
Roger Pitt
Reg. No. 46,996

Phone: (212) 536-4867